

MINERS EXPEL
PRES. DOLANAlso Their Vice-President,
Bellingham,

AT CONVENTION TODAY

Dolan Announces That He Will Take
Matters to Court—Progress of
Negotiations in the
Strike.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 5.—The delegates to the district miners' convention, now in session here expelled President Patrick Dolan, and Vice President Bellingham from the organization this morning. Dolan will now take the matter to court.

Dolan Said to Have Hindered.
Notwithstanding the fact that the Pittsburg Coal company has signed the scale demanded by the miners and the announcement that the men would return to work at once, not more than half of that company's operations are under way. This, it was said last night, was due to the conflicting orders that had been sent out by the contesting officers of the local district, in which there has been a factional fight. Patrick Dolan, who is one of the contesting officers of the local district and who was charged with holding back the miners from returning to work, made a statement last night, in which he denied that he sent out any orders restraining the miners and advising them not to return to work at once.A further development in the soft coal situation in this district that appeared last night is indicated in the statement of an independent operator who has been present at the meetings of this body and was one of the charter members of the organization formed last night. He said:
"It will be all over in a week if the Pittsburg Coal company gets all its men back to work by next week. There will be nothing left for the independents to do but sign the scale."

MITCHELL WAS PLEASED.

That President Roosevelt Had Declined to Intervene.

New York, April 5.—When President Mitchell was informed that President Roosevelt had declined to intervene with the soft coal troubles, he showed great interest and inquired if the text of the President's communication had been made public. He refused to comment on the President's action, but he plainly showed that he was much gratified at the stand the President has taken.

Among Mr. Mitchell's visitors yesterday was J. L. Marston of the Texas & Pacific Coal company. He had a short conference with Mr. Mitchell over the matter of signing the 1905 scale, but if a conclusion was reached by them it was not disclosed. Francis L. Robbins of the Pittsburg Coal company, who led the operators who were in favor of giving the soft coal miners an advance, is expected to visit Mr. Mitchell here.

THE FIRST CLASH.

Coal Guards and the Miners Are in a Fracas.

Irwin, Pa., April 5.—There was a clash last night between the guards of the Penn Gas Coal company and a crowd of 150, and as a result, the Pittsburg Coal company was struck on the head with a stone. The coal company immediately had more guards sworn in. The guards have been patrolling the railroad to keep the strikers from molesting the men at work. Last night three men alleged to represent the railroad company ordered the guards off the railroad property. They were backed up by the crowd, and when the guards refused to move, stones were thrown. The crowd was finally dispersed.

FIFTY CENTS PER TON.

Drop in the Price of Soft Coal in New York City.

New York, April 5.—A drop of fifty cents per ton in the f. o. b. price of soft coal occurred in New York city yesterday.

BREWERY MEN STRIKE.

Want Higher Pay, Free Beer and "Minor Concessions."

Springfield, April 5.—Following a series of conferences between committees representing the Springfield and Liberty Brewing companies of this city and the brewery workers, which lasted until late Tuesday night, all the workmen employed in the local breweries went on strike yesterday. Not one employee appeared for work. About one hundred men are out.

The brewery workers have demanded a general advance of \$1 a week in pay, a liberal allowance of free beer at their work, and several "minor concessions." One of the brewery officers said yesterday, in anticipation of the strike, non-union men have been secured to come from New York.

The strike involves the Bartenders' Union, the members of which will refuse to handle the product of the local breweries until the trouble is settled.

VESUVIUS GETS ANGRY.

And Deposits Lava and Showers of Ashes.

Rome, April 5.—Mount Vesuvius is again in eruption and the situation is serious. Five streams of lava are descending into the village. A Naples dispatch says that showers of ashes have fallen here.

BODY RECOVERED.

Of Paul Noquet, an Amateur Aeronaut, of New York.

New York, April 5.—Death in the waters of Bass creek, on the south shore of Long Island, between Jones beach and Amityville, ended the daring balloon ascent begun Tuesday afternoon by Paul Noquet, a French sculptor of note and an enthusiastic amateur aeronaut. The body was found last night on the muddy shore of the creek, where the tide had left it and not a great distance from where Noquet's collapsed balloon was discovered late last night by the life savers of Jones beach.

The finding of the body put an end to a search which had included ocean, land and marshes and which had been begun under the direction of Noquet's associates of the Aero club of New York as soon as the word was received early yesterday that the balloon had been found with no trace of its missing occupant.

Noquet evidently landed safely with his car and in fighting his way out of the meadows in the darkness, had traversed about two-fifths of the distance from Jones beach to Amityville, when he died. He had crossed 15 or 16 different islands and had swum or waded through the runlets between them. Up to midnight the last he was heard of, he was in the water, where he was soaked from the time he took the first channel. He stopped on the next to the last island he reached and removed the life preserver and the overcoat and then resumed the preserver.

He must have felt that his strength was giving out and the lights of Amityville must have seemed almost as far away as when he started. The overcoat, still sodden, was found near the edge of the island, just where he had cast it off before making the last swim.

He crossed the runlet and climbed on to the boggy, shaking mass of mud, sand and dead rushes known as Cats' island. He crossed it a distance of perhaps one hundred feet and apparently as he reached the near bank he must have stumbled and fell exhausted into the shallow creek. He may have died from sheer exhaustion or heart disease before falling. When his body was found, it lay face down in the bog.

121 WERE DROWNED
DURING HURRICANETahiti and Neighboring Islands Swept
and Among Those Lost Were Sev-
eral Americans—Buildings
Wrecked.

Honolulu, April 5.—The steamer Ioani, which arrived here yesterday, reports that 121 persons were drowned during the hurricane which recently swept over Tahiti and the neighboring islands. Of these victims, one perished on Tahiti; ninety-one natives and four whites on the Puamotu, and twenty-four natives and one white on the other islands.

Before the wind storm broke over Papeete, the sea rose steadily after a high tide, to twenty feet above the normal mark, and by 11 o'clock on the night of February 7 was wrecking the wooden buildings and splashing between the American and the British consulates.

The first no alarm was felt, but the continual rise caused a panic. The wind blew in brief hurricane blasts every few minutes, tearing up trees and sending roofs flying through the air. Signals for assistance were seen in Papeete from Leblou, a white resident of Motu island, but it was impossible to render any help until morning, when the body of Leblou's wife was rescued from the top of a coconut palm, whither it had been washed.

The Dunreagan reports a hurricane south of the Loyalty islands on February 7. Thursday island experienced a hurricane February 22.

AT LAST HEARD FROM.

New Hampshire Man Went Away Eight
Years Ago.

Milford, N. H., April 5.—After an absence of eight years or more from his home in New Boston, Carl Weaver, son of Dr. Charles A. Weaver of that town, has been heard from. Yesterday C. E. Knich, a Milford attorney, received a letter postmarked Baker City, Ore., from young Weaver, relating to a business affair.

Weaver disappeared from his home in New Boston about the time of the breaking out of the Spanish war, and one of the theories advanced in connection with his disappearance was that he might have enlisted and met his death in Cuba.

Weaver does not explain why he left home.

BECOMES AN HEIRESS,
RELEASED FROM JAILNew York Girl Arrested on Charge of
Stealing Gets Word in Court That
She Will Receive \$100,000.

New York, April 5.—During her arraignment yesterday on a charge of larceny, Elsie Eldridge of Chesterfield, Ct., was informed that she had fallen heir to an estate worth \$100,000. Upon hearing this news the complainant dropped the larceny charge against the girl. The estate is that of the girl's father, who was a chicken farmer of Chesterfield and who died March 31. The girl, who is 17 years old, came here at the beginning of the year, having run away from her home. She obtained work as a domestic in the residence of Mrs. Ella Marsh, who yesterday caused her arrest on a charge of stealing clothing valued at \$150. The letter announcing the young girl's accession to wealth was written by her aunt, Mrs. Agnes Coleman, and was presented in court by her attorney.

"Your father died today," it read in part, "and you are the only heiress to \$100,000 and the large manor house." "I don't care to press the charge against the girl," said her employer after the letter had been read. Thereupon Police Magistrate Ford, before whom the case had been called, said:
"Make a charge of being incorrigible and we will hold her until her mother can come here."

This was done and the young heiress was detained at the Yorkville prison awaiting the mother's arrival.

HUNDREDS
WENT DOWNHotel Hall in Nagold, So. Ger-
many, Falls.

DURING A CELEBRATION

Estimates of the Number Killed Vary
from 100 to 300—Many Bodies Have
Already Been Extricated
from the Ruins.

Berlin, April 5.—The large hall attached to Hotel Blackstag, in Nagold, South Germany, collapsed today while the place was crowded with members of local associations, who were celebrating an anniversary. All were buried beneath the heap of ruins. Estimates regarding the number killed are from 100 to 300. Many corpses have already been extricated from the ruins.

GERMAN CHANCELLOR
COLLAPSED TODAYHad Just Finished Speech in the Reich-
stag—Was Carried Unconscious
From the Room.

Berlin, April 5.—Prince Von Buelow, the German chancellor, was overcome with a fainting fit in the reichstag today and was carried unconscious to the ante room. Following the collapse of the chancellor the sitting was adjourned. The chancellor had just finished an address on the subject of the Algeiras agreement.

Three physicians made futile attempts to revive the prince in the ante room, and he was then conveyed in an unconscious condition to his official residence, a mile away. He was still unconscious on the arrival.
The fainting spell lasted an hour and a quarter, then the chancellor opened his eyes. The physicians announced that the prince had been overcome by an unusually severe fainting fit, brought on as a result of influenza and overwork. They declare that a prolonged rest is necessary to restore the patient to his usual health.

E. C. SWIFT DEAD.

Great Beef Packer a Victim of Pneumonia in Boston.

Boston, April 5.—E. C. Swift of Chicago, a member of the packing firm of Swift & Co., died early today at the Quincy House, where he engaged a suite of rooms about two weeks ago. Pneumonia was the cause of death, which was in great measure unexpected until yesterday. Mr. Swift became ill on March 27 last. Mr. Swift's wife is traveling in Europe.

REBELS OUTWIT BRITISH.

And Cut Off Portion of Forces Sent to
Subdue Them.

London, April 5.—A Duncan, Africa, despatch states that the rebels have cut off a part of the British forces sent to subdue them.

STATE EASTERN STAR.

Will Meet at Enosburg Falls June
5 and 6.

St. Albans, April 5.—The grand state chapter, Order of the Eastern Star will meet at Enosburg Falls, June 5th and 6th.

SMALL FIRE LOSS,
MANY CLOSE CALLSFifty-Eight Lodgers in Lynn, Mass.,
Boarding House, Got Out Safely
Early This Morning.

Lynn, Mass., April 5.—Many lodgers had a narrow escape in a fire which partially gutted the boarding house of Geo. Merrill on Union street early yesterday. All of the 58 occupants escaped, but three women were brought down the ladders unconscious by firemen. Several firemen were artfully overcome by smoke. The loss was about \$10,000.

CHELSEA.

Oliver Dutton of Brookfield was in town Monday.
Hale K. Darling, Esq., returned Tuesday afternoon from a week's stay in Montpelier.

George M. Davis returned to Montpelier Tuesday morning, after spending a few days in town.

Joe Abbott, a former resident of this place, was in town the first of the week, buying stock for A. N. Skinner of South Royalton.

Dan Dickenson returned the last of last week to Barre, where he has an engagement to play the pipe organ at the Hedding Methodist church.
Wm. F. Hood's auction sale on Wednesday of his blacksmith tools and stock drew out a large crowd of anxious buyers, and all goods found a "hot cake" sale at top prices, in the hands of Chas. E. Godfrey, auctioneer.Dick Bombhower returned the first of the week from Bethlehem, N. H., where he had been visiting his brother for two weeks.
Frank Dickenson and Charles L. Denmore returned to their school work at Montpelier Seminary the first of the week.

R. H. Adams, Jr., has been appointed county tax and game warden, with jurisdiction of the state, and left Wednesday morning for Topsham in the capacity of such officer, expecting to find that some miscreant had tried a bear.

W. H. Sprague is making changes and other repairs on the interior of his house, C. N. Beardsley doing the work.

STATE TREASURER
BACON NOT TO RUNAnnounces That He Thinks He Has Had
the Office Long Enough and Will
Give Way to Someone
Else.State Treasurer John L. Bacon of White River Junction has written a letter to the Burlington Free Press in which he declares that he will not be a candidate for re-election. His letter follows:
"White River Junction, April 4, 1906. To the Editor of the Free Press:
"In 1899, during my canvass for the state treasurership, I urged emphatically that in no manner capable of being a life tenure, the exclusion of hundreds of other men abundantly qualified to fill positions and who by their active work in party politics show their interest in the affairs of the state."Now, in 1906, I am of the same opinion, and in the furtherance of that view, I announce that I shall not be a candidate for the treasurership in the next Republican state convention. I wish to acknowledge by obligation to the Republican voters of Vermont for their expressions of confidence in me, and beg to thank you, Mr. Editor, for the opportunity here given me to do so. Very truly yours,
"John L. Bacon."

NEW INDUSTRY IN RUTLAND.

For Manufacture of Excelsior and Wood
Wool—Plans for Building.

Rutland, April 5.—This city is to have an excelsior and wood wool factory. Ground for the new industry will be broken next week, weather permitting. With one exception, the factory will be the first of its kind in the state. The main concern will use a large quantity of excelsior for packing and at present they have to buy it outside of Vermont. The new factory will be erected by John S. and George J. McMaster under the firm name of J. S. McMaster & Co. on property on Park street recently purchased from M. E. H. Brown. The building will be 500 feet frontage on the Bennington & Rutland railroad track, giving them ample side track room. The main building will be two stories high and 50 by 30 feet in dimensions, with a wing 25 by 30 feet. Orders for machinery have already been placed and about 250 cords of pulp wood have been drawn on to the site to be converted into excelsior.

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VERMONTERS
LOST GAMEHarvard Won Out in Eighth
Inning Yesterday

IN OPENING BALL GAME

Up to the Eighth It Was Nip and Tuck
and Then the Crimson Landed on
Campbell Hard and Won
9 to 4.

Boston, April 5.—Harvard opened its base ball season yesterday by winning from the University of Vermont by the score of 9 to 4. It was anybody's game up to the eighth inning, when the Crimson landed on Campbell, the visiting pitcher, and pounded out five runs and the game.

The score:
VERMONT.
ab bh po a e
Leonard, 3 b..... 4 1 2 1 0
Simons, s..... 5 1 2 3 1
McCall, 2 b..... 5 2 4 0
Stephenson, c..... 4 0 9 1 0
Pounds, r f..... 4 0 1 0 0
Fellman, c f..... 3 1 1 0 0
McCarthy, 1 b..... 4 1 9 0 0
Dexter, i f..... 4 0 0 1 0
Taylor, p..... 2 0 0 1 0
Castel, p..... 2 1 0 0 0
Totals..... 37 11 27 11 3VERMONT.
ab bh po a e
Gardner, r f..... 5 2 2 0 0
Collison, 2 b..... 2 0 1 3 1
Campbell, p..... 4 0 0 3 0
Woodward, i f..... 3 2 2 0 0
Peck, c f..... 4 1 1 0 1
Whitney, 1 b..... 4 2 11 0 0
Kibby, c..... 4 1 4 1 4
Grow, 3 b..... 4 0 0 2 0
Williams, s..... 3 1 3 1 0
Totals..... 33 9 24 11 5
Score by innings:
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Harvard..... 0 0 1 2 0 1 5 9 9
Vermont..... 1 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1—4

Runs made by Leonard, Simons, McCall, Pounds, Hollmann, Z. McCarthy, Dexter, Castle, Collison, Woodward, Kibby; Williams; two base hits, Dexter, Kibby; ston bases, Stephenson, Castle, Gardner, Collison, Woodward; sacrifice hits, Pounds, Dexter, Kibby; first base on balls, of Taylor, Collison 2, Woodward 1, of Campbell, Leonard 1; hit by pitched balls, Stephenson, Pounds, Hollmann, Collison; struck out, by Castle 6, by Taylor 1, by Campbell 4; passed balls, Kibby 4; Stephenson, time, 2 hours, 10 minutes; umpire, Arthur Clarkson; attendance, 500.

Other College Games.

At New Haven, Yale 4, Tufts 0.
At Worcester, Holy Cross 23, Springfield Training School 1.
At Princeton, Princeton 5, Dickinson 0.At Providence, Brown 14, Trinity 0.
Yesterday's League Base Ball.
At New Orleans, Boston American Regulars 6, Yankees 6 (11 innings).
At Philadelphia, Athletics 1, Phils. 0.
At St. Louis, Browns 7, Cardinals 0.
At Norfolk, Va., Boston Nationals 13, Norfolk 2.

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Planning to Play All Home Games at
Intercity Park.

Montpelier, April 5.—Manager Pomeroy of the Montpelier seminary base ball team,